

JUNE NEWSLETTER

COVID LEVEL TWO



We are now under Covid Level Two restrictions until at least midnight on Sunday 27 June. The club remains open and we look forward to members continuing to play. Please keep in mind the expectations below.

- Wearing a mask throughout the session is strongly encouraged
- Sanitise or wash your hands before entering the playing room
- Use hand sanitiser between movements
- Use your own pen for bidding
- Maintain at least one metre's distance from others
- Scan the QR code as you enter if you can



If you are sniffing, sneezing or coughing,
please don't come.

Please stay home if you are feeling unwell



MONDAY AFTERNOON TEA

The last Monday of the month is approaching and as usual Vicky has arranged for a wonderful spread for afternoon tea on Monday 28 June. Thank you to the super chefs who bring along the food. You might like to bring a bridge playing friend to the club on one of these Mondays so they can try out club bridge in a more social setting.



GRANTS

Over the last nine months the club has been the lucky recipient of grants from three funding organisations. We are grateful for the generosity of New Zealand Community Trust, Lion Foundation and Four Winds Foundation. We owe many thanks to Anne Erwin for her hard work, time and expertise as she successfully prepared and presented our applications to these organisations which distribute public funds to groups such as ours. As a result we have the new bridge tabs, progress is being made on the new bathrooms and there will be two new air conditioning units in place before the summer. In this way the physical environment at the club becomes more comfortable and inviting for bridge players in the community to get out and about, socialise and exercise their minds.



CHANGE TO TUESDAY PROGRAMME

Unfortunately we need to make a change to the Tuesday programme in July and August this year. We apologise for how this change will affect your carefully planned partnerships. You will find a small sheet on the black shelf that you can stick into your yellow booklet to show the changed sessions.

The Val Andrews Swiss Teams will now be played on July 13, 20, 27 and August 3.

The Fred Ord Medley which begins on June 29 continues on August 10, 17 and 24.

The reason for this is our inclusion of more Swiss events in our programme this year. Any Swiss event requires extra boards to be dealt as well as pre-registration to get an even number of tables. We also have our Multigrade Tournament to host on 1 August. Considering these factors it seemed best that one of the two Swiss events originally scheduled for August was shifted into July.

WAIKANAE/PARAPARAUMU INTERCLUB



The annual interclub fixture between the Waikanae and Paraparaumu clubs is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, 11 July at Paraparaumu. We hope to retain the shield once again this year even though a number of our top players will be representing our club that day in the Wellington Regional Championship.

It is unfortunate that the two events clash, however it was not possible to settle on an acceptable alternative date for the local event.

Note that Waikanae players will all be seated for this event. There will be no moving rights.

Please enter your pair on the sheet on the top table before Tuesday 6 July.

AND IF YOU ARE STILL READING...

At the end of a session last week everybody had gone home except one of our players who was standing alone and distressed in the car park,



unable to get into his locked car.

A tall, good looking young woman approached, dressed immaculately in her army uniform, and asked if she could help.

Noting the pip on her shoulder, the man pulled himself together and explained his predicament.

“Not a problem,” replied the lieutenant. She leant down and put her sleeve against the handle of the driver’s door. Instantly they both heard the door unlock.

“Amazing!” said the man. “How did you do that?”

The officer smiled. “I’m wearing my khaki uniform of course,” she replied.

